



## MONTHLY BIRD CENSUS 11 DEC 2005

CENSUS NUMBER TIME 08:20 – 12:20 CLOUD COVER 100% PRECIP NONE

OPEN WATER 50% FOG MODERATE WIND NONE TEMP 32 - 35 SNOW COVER NONE

PARTICIPANTS: Robert Gresky and Charlie Wright (ponds)
Brett Wolfe and Roger Orness (meadows)

## **SPECIES**

1. Pied-billed Grebe 3		22. Cooper's Hawk 2	*5	43. Winter Wren 3
2. Double-crested Cormorar	nt 4	23. Red-tailed Hawk 4	*6	44. Marsh Wren 21
3. Great Blue Heron 6		24. Virginia Rail 5 H		45. Golden-crowned Kinglet 5
4. Green Heron 1	*1	25. American Coot 122		46. Ruby-crowned Kinglet 17
5. Cackling Goose 204		26. Killdeer 3		47. American Robin 10
6. Canada Goose 53		27. Greater Yellowlegs 1 H		48. European Starling 6
7. Gadwall 31		28. Long-billed Dowitcher 2		49. Yellow-rumped Warbler 10 *8
8. American Wigeon 76		29. Mew Gull 1		50. Townsend's Warbler 1
9. Mallard 114		30. Ring-billed Gull 1		51. Spotted Towhee 18
10. Northern Shoveler 27		31. Glaucous-winged Gull 1		52. Fox Sparrow 17
11. Northern Pintail 37		32. Rock Pigeon 5		53. Song Sparrow 45
12. Green-winged Teal 28		33. Mourning Dove 3		54. Lincoln's Sparrow 9
13. Ring-necked Duck 66		34. Short-eared Owl 2	*7	55. White-crowned Sparrow 1
14. Lesser Scaup 4		35. Belted Kingfisher 1		56. Golden-crowned Sparrow 9
15. Bufflehead 9		36. Downy Woodpecker 2		57. Dark-eyed Junco 2
16. Hooded Merganser 16		37. Northern Flicker 5		58. Red-winged Blackbird 2
17. Common Merganser 4		38. American Crow 24		59. Western Meadowlark 7 *9
18. Ruddy Duck 20		39. Black-capped Chickadee 8		60. Brewer's Blackbird 5
19. Bald Eagle 1	*2	40. Bushtit 42		61. House Finch 9
20. Northern Harrier 2	*3	41. Brown Creeper 1		62. American Goldfinch 2
21. Sharp-shinned Hawk 1	*4	42. Bewick's Wren 4		63. House Sparrow 1

## \*NOTES\*

- \*1 The heron was observed S. of the N. cells and N. of the constructed wetlands near the overflow channel.
- \*2 One adult eagle atop the power tower S. of lagoon, then later on the power tower near the S. viewing tower.
- \*3 Both harriers were females; one hatch year (HY) on the S. trail fence rail and an adult on a W. meadow post.
- \*4 The HY sharpie was seen near "warbler corner" which is N. of the constructed wetland in the NE. forest.
- \*5 One sub-adult male in small tree N. of constructed wetlands near NW. cell. One HY male on Osprey platform.
- \*6 Both NW. adults were seen on territory; one SW. adult and one HY juvenile were on various SW. perches.
- \*7 One owl flying low N. to S. near end of interior service road and the other close to the meadow trail flushed E.
- \*8 None of the warblers were identified as to race.
- \*9 Six larks were flushed by an owl across the service road, W. of the lagoon and later 7 feeding on the SW. trail.

## MORE NOTES

Despite evidence of recent castings, no owls were seen at Anderson Park, or at the Russell Road owl box. Before the census two male harriers were observed from the W. gate; one HY flushed a close adult; both flew W.